## Mayfield/Graves Co. ATC Health Sciences Program Benefits from Partnership with Local Health Care Facility



Photo: Heritage
Manor Health Care
Center
Administrator Ken
Reynolds and
Director of Nursing
Diana Rogers are
pictured with
Mayfield/Graves Co.
ATC health
sciences students.

Mayfield/Graves Co. ATC Health Sciences Instructor Sheryle Guess and her students are the beneficiaries of seventeen new nursing assistant textbooks entitled, Mosby's Textbook for Long-Term Care Nursing Assistant, and the accompanying workbook. The gift was made possible by Heritage Manor Health Care Administrator Ken Reynolds and Director of Nursing Diana Rogers after they learned that Guess' students needed the new text book because of requirements in place by the KY Board of Nursing.

Over the past 15 years, Guess has had a wonderful relationship with folks at Heritage Manor; which is a carry over from the days when she worked there as the assistant director of Nursing. The relationship has been beneficial to Guess, her students and Heritage Manor for a variety of reasons including clinical rotations and job placement for the students.

"This is a great opportunity to have access to well-trained nursing assistants. They receive their clinical rotations here so they are familiar with the facility, the residents and the staff," says Rogers. "We hire new nursing assistants from Mrs. Guess's program every year."

"This is a win-win for the facility, students and program. Our students receive real world experience and the clinical rotations are always a positive learning experience for the students. Heritage Manor personnel have an opportunity to see possible future applicants in action. And, my students can be placed on the Nursing Assistant State Registry <u>now</u>, which is a requirement for acceptance to many of the Registered Nurse programs in the state," says Guess. "Mr. Reynolds has hired students during each of the 15 years that I have been an instructor at Mayfield/Graves Co. ATC. This year, he hired three of my students. It's a great pleasure to provide them with highly skilled students who understand their responsibilities and have an excellent work ethic."

Guess has been the school's HOSA Advisor for 15 years. She was on the State HOSA Executive Council for 4 years; two of those years she had state HOSA officers.

Good News Story #203

May 2, 2007